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DIA FOR MAJOR DOLOFF

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OREP (WOLFF, LESTER)
SUBJ: CONGRESSIONAL TRAVEL: PROPOSED VISIT TO EAST ASIA

REF: STATE 57026

1. MISSION WELCOMES VISIT OF CONGRESSMAN WOLFF AND OTHER SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS. FSO GEORGE TRAIL IS CONTROL OFFICER.
2. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE CODEL WOLFF VISIT COINCIDES WITH EAST ASIA REGIONAL NARCOTICS CONVERENCE AT WHICH CONGRESSMAN WOLFF SCHEDULED TO SPEAK. GIVEN IMPORTANCE U.S. ATTACHES TO DRUG SUPPRESSION PROGRAM AND THAI COOPERATION THEREIN, NARCOTICS CONFERENCE PROGRAM WILL BE CHANGED SO THAT PRIME MINISTER THANIN (NOT YET DEFINITE BUT BEING REQUESTED) AND CONGRESSMAN WOLFF WILL ADDRESS THE CONFERENCE FRIDAY MORNING. WE ASSUME OTHER MEMBERS OF CODEL WILL WISH TO ATTEND THIS PART OF THE CONFERENCE ALSO. IF THEY DO NOT WISH TO ATTEND NARCOTICS CONFERENCE, WE WILL MAKE CONFIDENTIAL

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ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS (E.G., MEETING WITH AMERICAN CHAMGER OF COMMERCE).

3. FOLLOWING IS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR CODEL WOLFF THURSDAY, APRIL 14.

1200 AM. ARRIVE DON MUANG AIRPORT. PROCEED TO HOTEL.

LUNCH AT HOTEL.

1430 EMBASSY BRIEFING. INTRODUCTION BY AMBASSADOR FOLLOWED BY REVIEW OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION AND SECURITY ASSISTANCE BRIEFING BY JUSMAG.

EVENING: AMBASSADOR WILL BE GIVING RECEIPT FOR NARCOTICS CONFEREES WHICH HE HOPES CODEL WILL ATTEND.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

0900 REGIONAL NARCOTICS CONFERENCE. PRIME MINISTER THANIN PROPOSED TO OPEN SUBSTANTIVE PROGRAM.
0930 WESTERN EUROPEAN AMBASSADOR TO SPEAK AS REPRESENTATIVE OF COUNTRIES VICTIMIZED BY DRUG TRAFFIC
1020 CONGRESSMAN WOLFF TO ADDRESS REGIONAL NARCOTICS CONFERENCE
1050 BREAK DURING WHICH CODEL LEAVES CONFERENCE.
1200 CALL ON MINISTER OF DEFENSE, ADMIRAL SA-NGAT.
1230 CALL ON MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS UPPADIT.
1300 LUNCHEON HOSTED BY MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.
1500 CALL ON PRIME MINISTER THANIN
1630 CALL ON SUPREME COMMANDER AND DEPUTY SUPREME COMMANDER, ROYAL THAI ARMED FORCES.
1900 DINNER HOSTED BY AMBASSADOR WHITEHOUSE.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

0800 BREAKFAST HOSTED BY AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
1000 CALL ON MINISTER OF INTERIOR SAMAK
1100 ADDITIONAL MEETINGS AS REQUESTED BY INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS.
AFTERNOON AND EVENING FREE.
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4. BECAUSE OF ITS COINCIDENCE WITH THE NARCOTICS CONFERENCE, EMBASSY RESOURCES WILL BE THINLY STRETCHED DURING THIS VISIT. WE NEED TO KNOW ASAP NUMBER IN PARTY, ROOMS REQUIRED (CONGRESSMAN WOLFF INVITED TO STAY AT RESIDENCE), IF WIVES ACCOMPANYING (AND, IF SO, PARTICULAR PROGRAM WISHES), SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS, ETC.

5. DAO WILL HANDLE FLIGHT CLEARANCE AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR QUARTERING OF FLIGHT CREW AND SERVICING OF AIRCRAFT. DETAILS SHOULD BE PROVIDED WELL ENOUGH IN ADVANCE TO ALLOW REQUIRED 10 DAY ADVANCE NOTICE FOR FOREIGN MINISTARY AIRCRAFT CLEARANCE.

6. NOTE: ACCORDING TO OUR INFORMATION, FLIGHT TIME FROM JAKARTA TO BANGKOK IS APPROXIMATELY THREE HOURS. TRAFFIC CONDITIONS IN BANGKOK DICTATE 1430 HOURS AS EARLIEST FEASIBLE TIME TO SCHEDULE ANY EVENT FOR CODEL ON APRIL 14 AND NECESSITATES ALLOWING MORE THAN USUAL AMOUNT OF TIME FOR CROSSTOWN MOVEMENT BETWEEN CALLS.

7. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP IF ABOVE SCHEDULE AGREEABLE TO
CONGRESSMAN WOLFF.
WHITEHOUSE

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